Business Optimization

Optimizing Your Business





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Agenda

Introduction

The Business Optimization Goal

Strategy & Goals

Business Planning

Time Management

Client Management

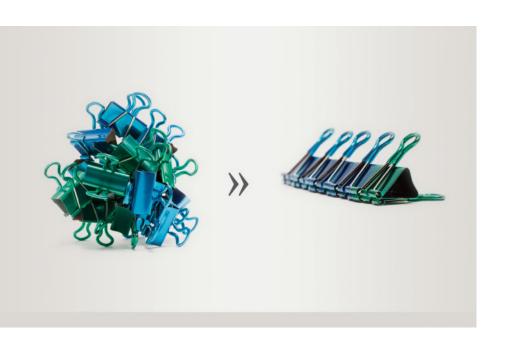
NEXT STEPS



Important Information

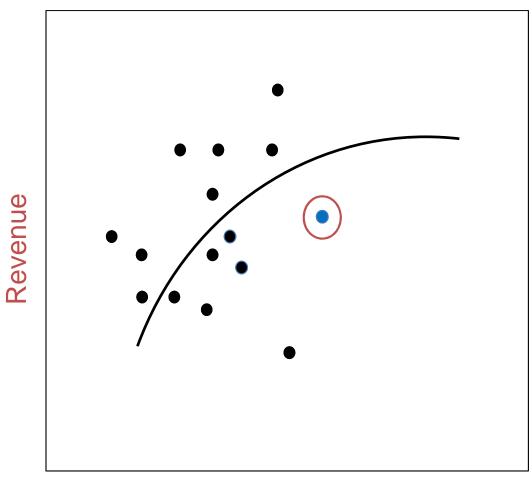
The purpose of the business analysis is to help you understand the impact of your product mix and volume on your revenue. This analysis is not intended to promote the sale of one product over another or replace your suitability review for individual sales.

Remember to always follow your firm's policies and procedures regarding the review and use of 3rd party templates, when creating and distributing materials for clients and prospects, hosting client/prospect events or when offering giveaways or prizes.



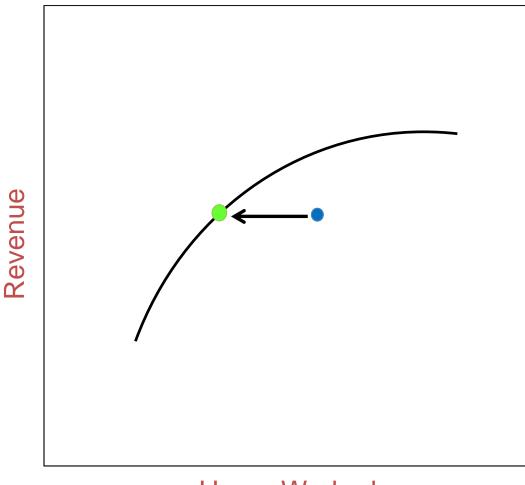
The Business Optimization Goal

Business Optimization EFFICIENT FRONTIER



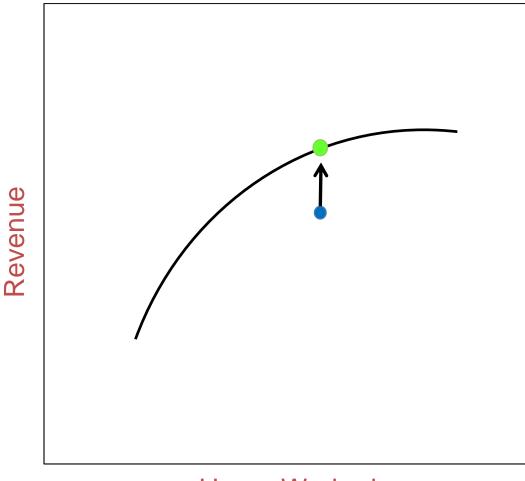
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Business Optimization OPTIMIZE TIME



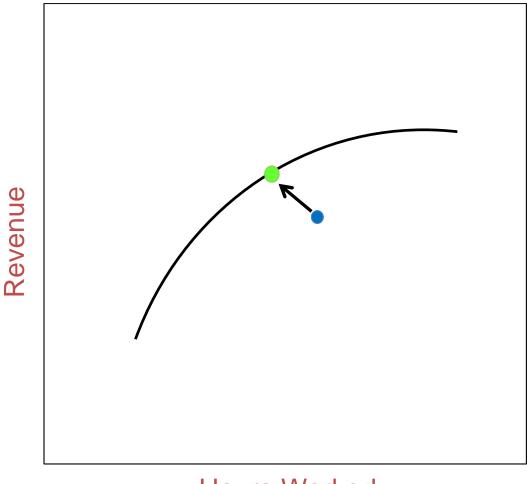
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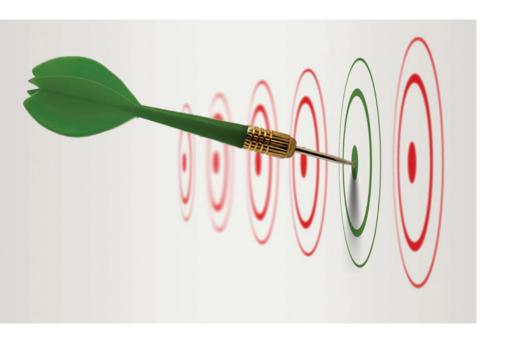


Hours Worked

Business Optimization Business Transformation



Hours Worked



Business Planning

Strategies & Tools THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR VISION

A vision statement is the "what" instead of the "why"

It is:

- ✓ A guiding philosophy and a tangible image
- ✓ The blueprint of the final result
- ✓ Aspirational



Strategies & Tools SETTING YOUR VISION

Define & set goals to achieve vision

Develop & map out clear activity plans

Invest time & money to execute plan



"Good thoughts are no better than good dreams unless they are executed."

Ralph Waldo Emerson



Strategies & Tools Business Planning

Do you have a **business plan**?

Do you have a *marketing plan*?

Do you have a *revenue goal*?



Strategies & Tools GOAL SETTING

S.M.A.R.T. Goals Defined

Specific: clear and focused

Measurable: able to be measured and monitored

Attainable: can you actually get there?

Relevant: does this goal support your vision?

Timely: with a beginning and an end



Exercise #1 S.M.A.R.T. GOAL SETTING



Exercise #2 VALUE OF YOUR TIME Determine Your Hourly Value

As a benchmark, an hour of my time is worth:

\$250

Today an hour of my time generates:

\$60

Revenue/Hours worked \$150,000/2,500

In twelve months an hour of my time will generate:

\$80

Revenue/Hours worked \$200,000/2,500

Strategies & Tools VALUE OF YOUR TIME

Your time is your greatest revenue producing asset

The better you manage and use your time, the greater your:

- Satisfaction

- Service

- Revenue

- Income

Time spent on non-revenue producing activities is time & money lost

Define revenue producing activities and delegate everything else

Most financial professionals do not know the value of their time



Time Management

Strategies & Tools THE ASSET OF TIME

Importance of Time Tracking

"Time is really the only capital that any human being has,

and the only thing he can't afford to lose."

Thomas Edison



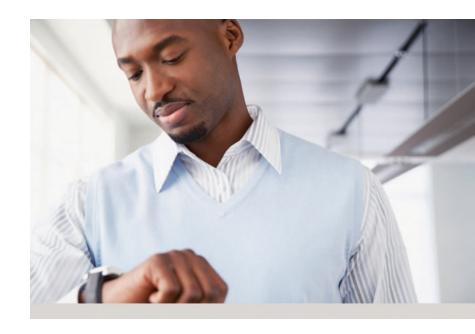
Strategies & Tools TIME & REVENUE

What percentage of your time is spent on revenue-producing activities?

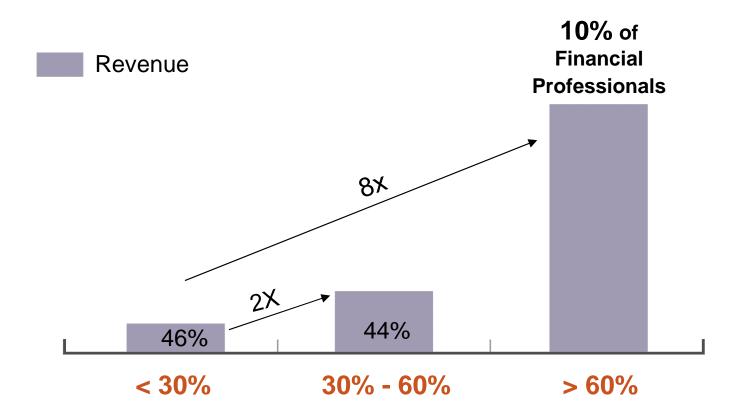
Less than 30%

Between 30% and 60%

Greater than 60%



Strategies & Tools TIME WITH CLIENTS



Percentage of Time Spent with Clients

Source: Rydex Advisor Benchmarking Study, Time is Money, June 2005, Viewed 1/24/11

Exercise # 3 TRACKING YOUR TIME (STEP 1)

Understand how and where time is spent

Define tasks

Identify best resources to fulfill tasks

	With a client or prospect? (Y or N)	Notes	Priority level
8:00-8:30			
8:30-9:00	Y	Phone Interview	1
9:00-9:30			
9:30-10:00			
10:00-10:30	Υ	Phone Work	2
10:30-11:00			
11:00-11:30			
11:30-12:00			
12:00-12:30	Y	Appointment	1
12:30-1:00			
1:00-1:30			
1:30-2:00	N	Case paperwork	3
2:00-2:30			
2:30-3:00	N	Appointment Prep	2
3:00-3:30			
3:30-4:00	N	Case paperwork	3
4:00-4:30		• •	
4:30-5:00			
5:00-5:30			
5:30-6:00			

Exercise # 3 TRACKING YOUR TIME (STEP 2)

Freeing Up Time (8 – 20 Most Specific Activities)

High	Increase	Add/Automate
√	Leads Strategic partnering Phone Work	Client meetings Interviews E-App
VALUE	Reduce	Outsource/Partner
	Follow-up of pending cases Paperwork	Appointment setting Lead management
Low	<	VIE → Hig

Strategies & Tools THE ART & SCIENCE OF TIME

How much time do you have available per year?

Time Off: How many weeks per year do you intend to work?

Appointments: How many per week do you schedule?

Customers: What is your annual capacity?

Existing Customers: How much time do you spend with them?



Exercise # 4 TIME BANK ANALYSIS

Time is finite

Identify where & how time will be spent

Maximize customer capacity

1. Total # of weeks worked per year:	45
2. Total # of appointments per week:	20
3. Total # of appointments per year:	900
4. Customer touches per year:	4
5. Total customer capacity per year:	225
6. # Customer of existing relationships:	150
7. Total new customer capacity/year:	75
8. Monthly new customer capacity:	6

Exercise # 4 TIME BANK ANALYSIS

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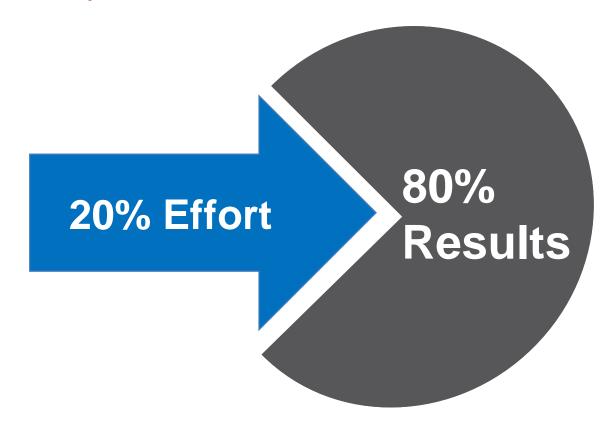
1. Total # of weeks worked per year:	45
2. Total # of appointments per week:	10
3. Total # of appointments per year:	450
4. Customer touches per year:	2
5. Total customer capacity per year:	225
6. # to review coverage/other needs:	100
7. Total new customer capacity/year:	125
8. Monthly new customer capacity:	10



Client Management

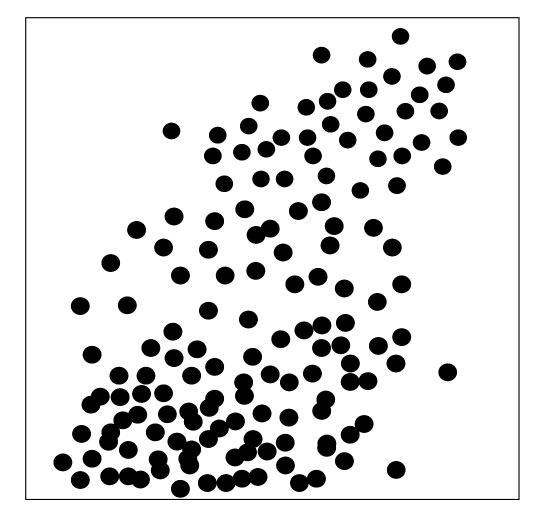
Strategies & Tools PARETO PRINCIPLE

Quantitative Analysis





Revenue

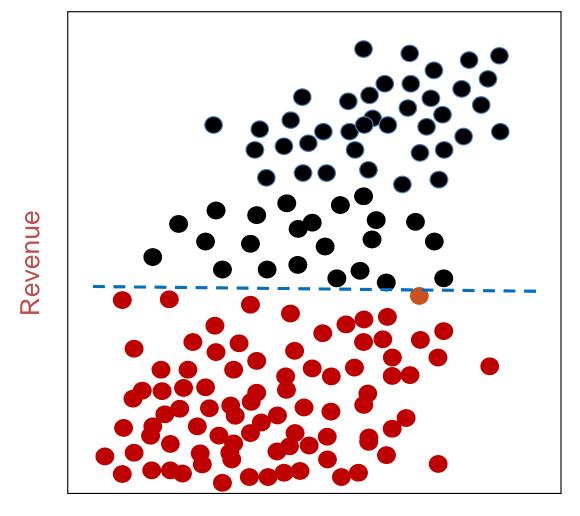


Hours Worked

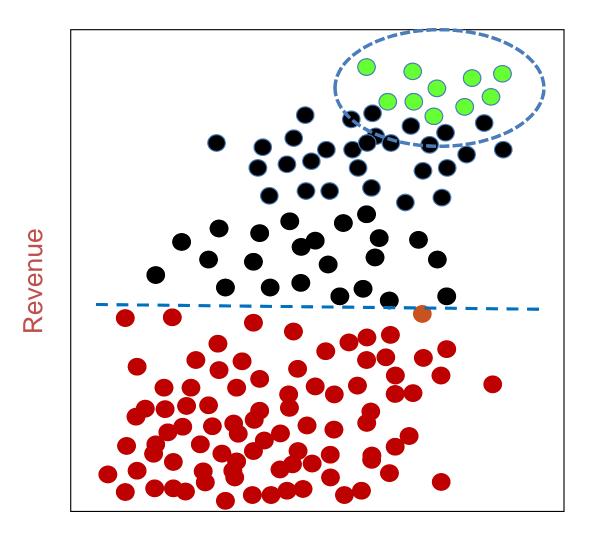
On average, 40 clients will generate 80% of revenues

Hours Worked

Revenue



On average, 120 clients will generate < 10% of revenues



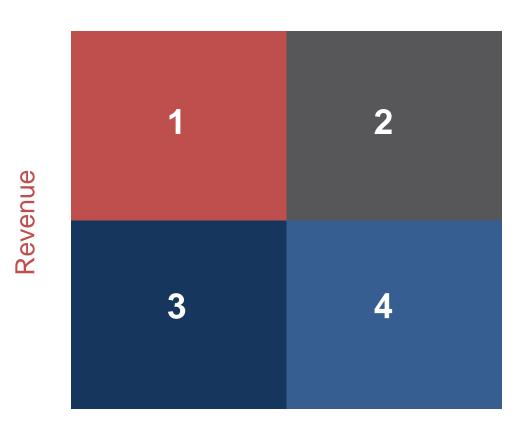
Frequently, 7 -10 clients generate more revenue than the entire bottom 120

Hours Worked

Qualitative Analysis CLIENT MANAGEMENT

Four Quadrant Review

Segmenting





Qualitative Analysis client Management

Revenue

Larger premium Delegator	Larger premium Multiple policies Business owners
Remote selling Referrals Delegator	Demanding High education

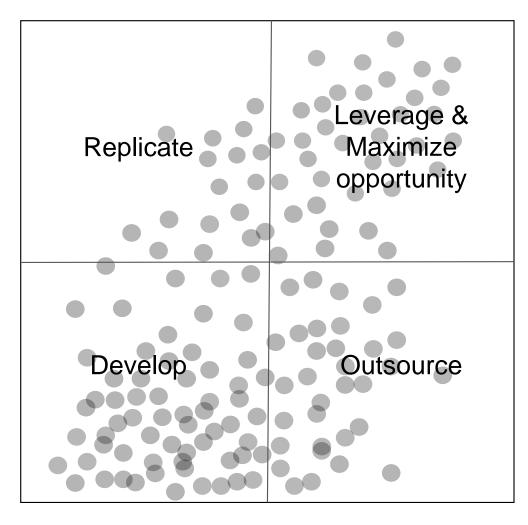
Qualitative Analysis client Management

Revenue

Replicate	Leverage & Maximize opportunity
Develop	Outsource

Quantitative + Qualitative Analysis

Revenue



Qualitative Analysis client Management

Leverage & Replicate Maximize opportunity Revenue Outsource Develop Partner

Exercise #5 QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

Host Client Centric Marketing Events

Top 10 Clients

Client interests

Event Ideas

Name	Interests

Client Development MARKETING

Relationship business

Increase time with clients

80/20 Rule: Spend time with best clients



Client Development EVENTIDEAS



Client Development MARKETING

Small groups

No product pitch

Client hobby event



Exercise # 6 HOST MARKETING EVENTS

Set SMART goals

Host 3 client centric events

1.	
2.	
3.	



Next Steps

Next Steps take action

- 1. Develop your vision and set SMART goals
- 2. Pick one tool

Implement & track progress for 21 days

3. Leverage your [BGA, Genworth RVP, Agency, GA]

"Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow."

Ralph Waldo Emerson





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